

H.R. 2131, to award a congressional gold medal to President Jose Maria Aznar of Spain (H. Rept. 108-463);

H.R. 2693, to reauthorize the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, amended (H. Rept. 108-464); and

H.R. 4030, to establish the Congressional Medal for Outstanding Contributions in Math and Science Education program to recognize private entities for their outstanding contributions to elementary and secondary science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education, amended (H. Rept. 108-465). **Page H2198**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Culberson to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H2157**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Richard G. Wilson Processing and Distribution Facility Designation Act: H.R. 4037, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 475 Kell Farm Drive in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, as the "Richard G. Wilson Processing and Distribution Facility", by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 392 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 118; **Pages H2159-61, H2164**

General John J. Pershing Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 3855, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 607 Pershing Drive in Laclede, Missouri, as the "General John J. Pershing Post Office", by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 389 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 119; **Pages H2161-62, H2164-65**

Dosan Ahn Chang Ho Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 1822, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3751 West 6th Street in Los Angeles, California, as the "Dosan Ahn Chang Ho Post Office", by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 399 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 120; and **Pages H2162, H2165-66**

Recognizing the 91st annual meeting of The Garden Club of America: S. Con. Res. 97, a concurrent resolution recognizing the 91st annual meeting of The Garden Club of America. **Pages H2162-64**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:52 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H2164**

Commission on the Review of the Overseas Military Facility Structure of the United States—Appointment: Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein she appointed Mr. Keith Martin of Shavertown, Pennsylvania, to the Commission on the Review of the Overseas Military Facility Structure of the United States. **Page H2159**

Meeting Hour for Thursday: Agreed that when the House adjourn on Wednesday, April 21, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. on Thursday, April 22, for the purpose of receiving former Members of Congress in the House Chamber. Further agreed that it be in order for the Speaker to declare the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair for the purpose of receiving the former Members. **Page H2166**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H2157.

Senate Referral: S. 129 was referred to the Committee on Government Reform and S. 1108 was referred to the Committee on Resources. **Page H2196**

Discharge Petition: Representative Baird moved to discharge the Committee on Rules from the consideration of H. Res. 572, providing for the consideration of H.J. Res. 83, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States regarding the appointment of individuals to fill vacancies in the House of Representatives (Discharge Petition No. 7).

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H2200.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H2164, H2164-65, and H2165-66. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 11:51 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HIPC DEBT RELIEF

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade and Technology held a hearing entitled "HIPC Debt Relief: Which Way Forward?" Testimony was heard from Thomas Melito, Acting Director, International Affairs and Trade, GAO; and public witnesses.

PAPERWORK REDUCTION

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on What is the Administration's Economic Growth Plan Component for Paperwork Reduction? Testimony was heard from John D. Graham, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB; Mark W. Everson, Commissioner, IRS, Department of the Treasury; Patricia

A. Dalton, Director, Strategic Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

CONTINUITY IN REPRESENTATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Heard testimony from Chairman Ney and Representatives Larson of Connecticut, Lofgren, Jackson-Lee of Texas, Maloney, Sherman, Baird, and Langevin, but action was deferred on H.R. 2844, Continuity in Representation Act of 2004.

BRIEFING—TECHNICAL TRANSPORTATION STRATEGIC PLAN

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence held a briefing on Technical Transformation Strategic Plan. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2004

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2005 for missile defense, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2005 for foreign assistance and to combat international terrorism, 2:30 p.m., SD-124.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Romolo A. Bernardi, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Dennis C. Shea, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research, and Cathy M. MacFarlane, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Public Policy, both of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the implementation of the Recreation Fee Demonstration Program by the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management, and on policies related to the program, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the current state of society in Iraq, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider pending calendar business; to be followed by a hearing to examine S. 297, to provide reforms and resources to the Bureau of Indian Affairs to improve the Federal acknowledgement process, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Interior, to continue appropriation hearings, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, on NIH, 10:15 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury and Independent Agencies, on the IRS, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, on NASA, 10 a.m., and 1 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on Iraq's Transition to Sovereignty, 10 a.m., and to hold a hearing on the Performance of the Department of Defense Acquisition Process in Support of Force Protection for Combat Forces, 3 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, hearing on the Importance of Highly Qualified Teachers in Raising Academic Achievement, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality and the Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials, joint hearing entitled "Current Environmental Issues Affecting the Readiness of the Department of Defense," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "The FASB Stock Options Proposal: Its Effect on the U.S. Economy and Jobs," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing entitled "DOD's Counternarcotics: What Is Congress Getting for Its Money?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, hearing on Iraq Oil-for-Food Program: Starving for Accountability, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, hearing entitled "Protecting Our Nation's Cyber Space: Educational Awareness for the Cyber Citizen," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on The Taiwan Relations Act: The Next Twenty-Five Years, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Europe, hearing on the U.S. and Northern Europe: The e-PINE Initiative, 1:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, oversight hearing entitled "Should the Congress extend the October, 2004 Statutory Deadline for Requiring Foreign Visitors to Present Biometric Passports?" 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing and markup of H.R. 2934, Terrorist Penalties Enhancement Act of 2003, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, hearing on H.R. 2941, Colorado River Indian Reservation Boundary Correction Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on H.R. 3846, Tribal Forest Protection Act of 2004, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to mark up H.R. 3879, Coast Guard Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2005, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, hearing on GDIP Budget, 9 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security, executive, briefing on Narco-Terror Connections, 1 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Select Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Science, and Research and Development and the Subcommittee on Infrastructure and Border Security, joint hearing entitled “The DHS Infrastructure Pro-

tection Division: Public-Private Partnerships to Secure Critical Infrastructures,” 10:30 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine the economic outlook, 10 a.m., SH-216.